## The 2003 Creekside Blues & Jazz Festival Information Sheet

## **Our Mission Statement**

The Creekside Festival aims to be Gahanna's Premier Summer Event by focusing on:

Providing fun and interesting family activities and entertainment
Serving as a showplace for the best in local and Ohio blue and jazz music
Highlighting and reinvigorating the Olde Gahanna area with a quality festival
that involves Olde Gahanna businesses and residents
Hosting a premier arts and crafts event
Involving and displaying the best of the Gahanna area's community
organizations through performances and volunteering
Actively engaging people with Gahanna's best natural resources: Creekside
Park and the Big Walnut Creek

## When & where is the Creekside Festival?

It's centered around Creekside Park and Olde Gahanna on the third Saturday in June. This year the festival runs from Friday, June 20 to Sunday, June 22.

## 5 Years of Festivals...

2003 marks the 5<sup>th</sup> year for the Creekside Festival. The festival started as a way to celebrate the new Creekside Park area and the beginning of Olde Gahanna's revitalization. Originally, it was a one-day Saturday festival with kids' activities, music, food, and crafts with about 10,000 people. Since 1998, the Creekside Festival has grown and changed along the way. Blues and Jazz became the official theme of the music in 2000. In 2001, barbecue food became the culinary focus of the festival. The festival grew to Friday night and all-day Saturday in 2002. Now as we begin planning for 2003, the festival grows to include Sunday and adds classic cars!